

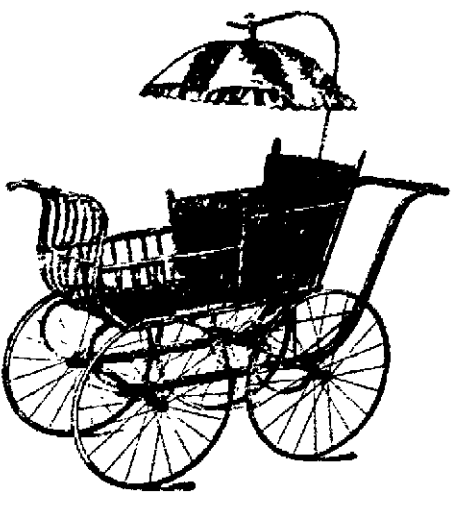
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CONGRESS READY.

Immediate Intervention Will
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INDEPENDENCE OF CUBA.

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This Provision.

LEE BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE.

The Consul General Says He Is Sure That
Spanish Authorities Knew of the
Plot Against the Maine, but
Exonerates Blanco.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The burden of responsibility for the next move in the Spanish crisis having been shifted by the president's message upon the shoulders of congress, the capitol yesterday became the storm center, with the foreign affairs committees of the two houses as the focal. The struggle in each committee was long and bitter, with this marked difference between that at the senate wing and that at the house end of the capitol: In the senate committee the Democrats as well as the Republicans participated, while at the house end the task was to secure harmonious action among the Republicans, so as to present, if possible, a solid front when the Democrats are finally called in for action.

Pressure from every quarter was brought to bear. Radicals and conservatives strained every nerve. The vital point of the contest hinged upon whether the resolutions should go further than the president had gone and declare for the independence of Cuba from Spanish domination. Last night a compromise proposition seemed certain to be reported at both ends of the capitol. The senate committee's resolution will be the more radical of the two. It will surely be reported today and will declare for immediate intervention, a general recognition of the rights of the Cuban people to freedom and independence, and will demand the withdrawal of the Spanish forces from the island. The Republicans of the house committee as a result of their labors practically united upon a resolution which also directs immediate intervention (in that respect going beyond the president's recommendation) and for the establishment of a "firm and stable" government in Cuba. Mr. Smith of Michigan stood out stubbornly for a recognition of independence, but the committee did not yield. When the resolutions were submitted to the Republican steering committee, they insisted that unless the words "and independent" before "government" were inserted so as to read "firm, stable and independent government" they would decline to accept it. Finally assurances that this would be conceded were given, and if those words go in plain sailing and harmonious action seem probable today. The Democrats of the committee have agreed to antagonize the majority resolution with one declaring for independence and immediate armed intervention. The ultimate independence of the island without the recognition of the independence of the existing government is the step which both committees are to take beyond the president's recommendations.

A significant feature of the day in this connection was the declaration of General Grosvenor of Ohio, the administration's spokesman, made during the debate in the house, that the president's recommendations must be interpreted as a declaration for the independence of the island from Spanish domination. There was a strong impression last night that the debate in the house will be made short to prevent undue criticism of the administration. Many of the Republicans are in favor of no debate at all, contending that the passage of a resolution without debate would strengthen their position before the world. In the senate it is impossible to predict how long the debate will run. There was a general feeling in Washington last night among public men that the action of congress as foreshadowed in the resolutions renders the situation extremely critical, and conservative leaders of both parties consider war inevitable as a result of their adoption unless Spain makes a final and complete surrender by giving up the island of Cuba.

The situation is regarded as so critical that the Republicans of the ways and means committee, as a result of private conferences, have reached an agreement as to a method of raising \$100,000,000 additional revenue annually for the prosecution of the war by increasing the tax on beer and tobacco and placing a tax on tea and coffee. They also agreed to authorize the issue of a popular loan of \$500,000,000 and the issue of certificates of indebtedness to meet emergencies.

Consul General Lee arrived yesterday afternoon and at once became the hero of the hour. There was a great outpouring of the people on the streets last night to witness the serenade tendered him. During the afternoon he appeared before the committee on foreign relations of the senate. While it is said he gave no startling information, his opinion, vigorously expressed, strengthened the committee in the position it has taken regarding the blowing up of the Maine and was regarded as very valuable.

ment and the rapidity of action during the last two weeks.

The regular Tuesday cabinet meeting was held at 11 o'clock, but the deliberations proved to be void of significance. At the conclusion of the meeting cabinet members summed up what had occurred by stating that the meeting was the most uneventful in many weeks. The situation, it was explained, was absolutely unchanged from that of Monday. No word had come from Minister Woodford and there were no new phases reported from Cuba. With evident satisfaction the members of the cabinet stated that the whole question is now committed to congress, and that any developments must be looked for from that quarter rather than from the executive branch.

The state department officials had a period of comparative rest after the strain put upon them within recent days. They looked forward with interest to General Lee's coming, as it would afford an opportunity for full personal exchange of conditions in Cuba. Army and navy headquarters were in a state of comparative repose. The preparations already begun progressed steadily.

The foreign embassies and legations were somewhat apathetic. After considerable personal exchange the representatives of the great powers of Europe were satisfied that further action by the powers at this time would be inopportune, and they so notified their governments.

The Spanish minister believes that the war crisis has been averted, for the present at least, and no further thought is being given at the Spanish legation to the necessity for departure. The legation has been advised that the Spanish consul at Key West and a number of Spanish citizens there have removed to Tampa for fear of their lives, which, the consul reports, have been seriously menaced.

IN THE SENATE.

Many Warlike Resolutions—Mr. Mason Breaks Out Again.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—For nearly three hours yesterday the senate had the Cuban question in its several phases under discussion. Three resolutions bearing upon the question were introduced—one by Mr. Lindsay of Kentucky directing that the contemplated operations against the Spanish army in Cuba be in concert with General Gomez, the supreme command to be vested in the commander of the United States forces, to the end that the independence of the Cubans be secured; the second by Mr. Wilson of Washington directing the president at once to take such steps as will secure to the Cuban people an independent republican form of government; and the third by Mr. Allen of Nebraska declaring the existence of war in Cuba and directing the president to take steps to stop it and secure to the people of the island a stable and independent government. Following the introduction of the resolutions speeches were delivered by Mr. Pettus of Alabama, Mr. Mason of Illinois and Mr. Butler of North Carolina. Mr. Pettus presented an argument that congress could not delegate to the president the power to make war either in a general or in a special sense and declared that the making of any war without an express declaration by congress would be a disgrace to the nation. Mr. Mason's speech was largely a legal argument in favor of the recognition of the independence of the Cuban republic and was delivered with characteristic fire and vehemence. Mr. Butler spoke for the "opposition" on the floor of the senate, maintaining that it had thus far upheld the hands of the administration in the present crisis and would continue to do so for a definite and vigorous policy. He regretted that the president had not presented such a policy to congress and held that intervention without the recognition of independence would simply mean the crushing of the Cuban patriots. Consideration of the sundry civil bill was resumed, but no progress was made, an extended discussion being precipitated over the old question of using steam presses instead of hand presses in the bureau of engraving and printing, which is a branch of the treasury department.

THE HOUSE DEBATE.

Grosvenor Says the Message Means Cuban Independence.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—General Grosvenor of Ohio, now generally regarded as the spokesman of the president on the floor of the house, late yesterday afternoon, in reply to an attack upon the policy of the administration, interpreted the recommendations in the president's message to mean a request for authority to use the army and navy of the United States to establish on the island of Cuba a government independent of Spain. It was regarded as an exceedingly important and significant announcement.

In the brief debate yesterday the opening guns of the contest were fired. Broadides were exchanged, and then the house adjourned.

Mr. Lentz, an Ohio Democrat, who drew the fire of General Grosvenor last Thursday, returned to the assault again yesterday, attacking what he termed the "vacillating" policy of the president, the "midnight conferences" at the White House with Senator Elkins and John J. McCook and asserting that the president's recommendations really meant that the United States should coerce the Cuban insurgents into an acceptance of Spain's scheme of autonomy.

Mr. Hephurn (Rep. Ind.) made a spirited and indignant reply, denouncing the intimation of such a policy as little short of scandalous.

Then came General Grosvenor's important announcement, upon which Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, countered, taking the position that if the president had meant to declare for the independence of Cuba he would have said so in specific words. The message was clear and lucid, he said, except as to the recommendations, and it had required all the incoherence of General Grosvenor to torture such an inter-

pretation from them. In conclusion, he declared that the president who would coerce the Cuban patriots would not live to survive the odium of the American people.

HOUSE CONFERENCE.

Republicans Will Support the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—By a practically unanimous vote the Cuban conference of Republican representatives decided last night to work in harmony with the house foreign affairs committee on representations of the latter's firm position to be incorporated in a report to the house. This is the most significant step yet taken by that body of about three score aggressive Republican members whose course has been toward radical action.

They were in session for an hour yesterday after the adjournment of the house and after some vigorous speeches and the submission of a report on how the foreign affairs committee stood decided that they would be satisfied with the report from the foreign affairs committee if it made no change in the position it announced to the steering committee, substantially as follows: "A preamble reciting the conditions in Cuba, consisting largely of quotations from the president's message, which constitutes a scathing arraignment of Spanish misrule and the barbarities of the war, a vigorous reference to the blowing up of the Maine and a resolution authorizing, empowering and directing the president to intervene at once for the purpose of restoring peace and order and the establishment of a firm, stable and independent government on the island of Cuba, with the free consent of the people of the island, and empowering the president to employ the army and navy forces of the United States for this purpose."

LEE AT THE CAPITAL.

He Thinks the Spanish Authorities Knew of the Plot Against the Maine.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—General Lee reached the White House at 3:30 yesterday. The party was shown at once to the library, where the chief executive accorded a hearty reception to the consul general. The only persons present at the meeting were the president, Secretary Sherman, Assistant Secretary Day and General Lee. Secretary Sherman remained with the others for about half an hour and then returned to the state department.

After being with the president fully an hour Judge Day and General Lee took their departure, the latter going to his hotel. An immense crowd, augmented by a number of ladies who attended Mrs. McKinley's reception, was on the portico when the two came down stairs, and General Lee was given a tremendous ovation. As their carriage was being driven away some one fastened a Cuban flag to the front of the vehicle, and this was the cause of additional enthusiasm.

Consul General Lee was before the senate committee on foreign relations for an hour late yesterday afternoon. He talked freely with the committee in regard to the conditions in Cuba and especially with reference to the destruction of the Maine. He said that, in his opinion, there was no room to doubt that the destruction of the vessel was due to Spanish agencies.

"Do you mean the Spanish authorities in Cuba?" he was asked by a member of the committee.

"I mean the Spanish officials," he replied, "but not General Blanco. I think some of the officials were cognizant of the plans to destroy the vessel, but I do not believe that the captain general knew anything about it."

General Lee said that he had no knowledge of the reports that a mine had been discovered by a diver under the Montkomery while that vessel lay in the harbor at Havana.

The consul general did not arrive at the capitol until 5 o'clock. He came in a street car and was not recognized by the 100 or 200 people who had congregated on the outside of the building to see him, but in the corridors at the entrance to the room of the committee on foreign relations he was recognized and given a hearty handclapping. He responded with a bow and smile and hastened into the committee room.

THE WAR REVENUES.

Committee's New Scheme—Tax on Beer and Tobacco—Popular Loan.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee have agreed upon a plan for raising revenue in case of need to carry on war with Spain. The plan will raise more than \$100,000,000 additional revenue annually and is thus distributed:

An additional tax on beer of \$1 per barrel, estimated to yield \$35,000,000; a bank stamp tax on the lines of the law of 1865, estimated to yield \$20,000,000; a duty of 3 cents per pound on coffee and 10 cents per pound on tea and a like amount of internal tax on stocks of coffee and tea on hand in the United States, estimated to yield \$28,000,000; additional tax on tobacco, estimated to yield \$15,000,000.

The committee also agreed to authorize the issuing of \$500,000,000 bonds. These bonds are to be offered for sale at all postoffices in the United States in amounts of \$50 each, making a great popular loan to be absorbed by the people.

To tide over emergencies the secretary of the treasury will be authorized to issue treasury certificates. These certificates or debentures are to be used to pay running expenses when the revenues do not meet the expenditures. These preparations are distinctly war measures and will be put in operation only should war occur.

Fitchburg Strikers Back Down.

FITCHBURG, Mass., April 13.—More than 200 of the 1,100 employees of the Park Hill Gingham mills who struck Monday to resist a cutdown in wages returned to mill C yesterday morning. This mill gives work to about 600 hands. Mills A and H are still shut down and will not open until mill C is practically shut.

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Japanese

Cracker jars, tea pots, pot tiles, olive dishes, comb trays, individual sets, tooth plates, spoon trays, combs, frames, etc.

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50-piece set \$2.99; 100-piece set \$5.99; 112-piece set \$7.99; 112 pieces, gold, hand decorated \$8.99; 112 pieces, gold and white, \$9.99; 112 pieces, green, gold and white, \$10.99. WE also keep open stock of Porcelain, sold by piece, just as cheap as if you bought 112 at one time. In this way everyone can afford to have a dinner set and keep them replaced when broken.

White Granite

In the newest shapes and patterns. Cups and saucers 25c., 30c. set; plates 2, 3, 4 and 5c. each; saucer dishes 2c. each; bowls 4c.; napkins 5c. up; bakery 5c. up; cream jugs 5c. up; covered sugar sets, 10c. 25c. 30c. 40c. 50c. 75c. 80c. BROWN AND YELLOW WARE—Tea pots 10c., Pitchers 10c., Nappies 5c., large Mixing Bowls 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 25c., Butter Pails 5 and 10c. each.

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An Unequalled Display of Glass-ware.

Sauce dishes 1c., table tumblers 1c., blown engrav'd tumblers 4c., footed jelly dishes 5c., olive and pickle dishes 5c., salvers 10c., berry dishes 10c., celery trays 10c., bread plates 5c. and 10c., four piece tea sets 15c. to \$1.29, lemonade sets 5c. to \$1.19, two quart jugs 10c., cream pitchers 5c., sugar bowls 10c., covered butter 5c., 3 quart covered pail 7c., 4 quart covered pail 9c., large wash basin 5c., Acme fry pan 5c. up, 10 quart galvanized pail 10c., galvanized 8 op pail 12c., No. 8 & 9c., 9 boilers 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490, 500, 510, 520, 530, 540, 550, 560, 570, 580, 590, 600, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 670, 680, 690, 700, 710, 720, 730, 740, 750, 760, 770, 780, 790, 800, 810, 820, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900, 910, 920, 930, 940, 950, 960, 970, 980, 990, 1000.

Opening Day Sale of Tinware.

We do not intend there shall be a house in a radius of 50 miles of Middletown that has not a piece of our tinware. As if you don't think these prices will do it. Every piece warranted not to leak. Covered bread tuckers 10c., 14 quart dish pan 10c., 12 quart pail 10c., 8 quart pail 7c., 2 quart dipper 5c., 2 quart covered pail 5c., 3 quart covered pail 7c., 4 quart covered pail 9c., large wash basin 5c., Acme fry pan 5c. up, 10 quart galvanized pail 10c., galvanized 8 op pail 12c., No. 8 & 9c., 9 boilers 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, 150, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200, 210, 220, 230, 240, 250, 260, 270, 280, 290, 300, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 380, 390, 400, 410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490, 500, 510, 520, 530, 540, 550, 560, 570, 580, 590, 600, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 670, 680, 690, 700, 710, 720, 730, 740, 750, 760, 770, 780, 790, 800, 810, 820, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900, 910, 920, 930, 940, 950, 960, 970, 980, 990, 1000.

Milk Pans.

6 quarts 5c., 8 quarts 5c., 10 quarts 7c.; milk pans, re-finished, 8 quarts 7c., 10 quarts 10c.; heavy dairy pail 15 and 10c., strainer pails, heavy 1 X tin, 15 and 10c.

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Dust pans 4c., cash box 30c. up, bread and cake boxes 25c. up, slop pails 10c., spice boxes 10c., 14 and 16-inch water 10c., long handled fire shovel 5c.

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Wooden Ware Department.

Zinc washboards 10 cents; folding ironing boards 9c.; clothes horse 35c.; cedar wash-tubs, electric welded hoop 50, 55, 55c.; hat rack 5 and 10c.; 18x22 kneading board 10c.; rolling pin 5c.; clothes pins 1c. doz.; wooden pails 10c.; potato masher 5c.; spoons 3c.; knife boxes 5c.; comb boxes 10c.; vegetable slicers 10c.; butter bowls 10, 15, 25c.; butter ladies 5c.; butter moulds, 1/2 lb., 10c.; butter prints 5c.; towel roller 5 and 10c.; sugar boxes 4c. up; salt boxes 10c.; spice cabinet, 6 drawers, 49c.; mop handles 7 and 10c.; 2,500 toothpicks 3.

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Boys are growing more and more in demand as singers in our great churches. Fifteen years ago there were not a half dozen vested choirs in the whole city of New York. Now, however, every church that aspires to the patronage of the wealthy, gathers together



GEORGE E. THUMSER, Mt. Calvary Church, Baltimore.

its little flock of surprised youngsters and sets them to singing anthems. The idea is English, and therefore more in keeping with the rites of the English church as well as with the tastes of the fashionable set. For the very reason that there are so many more vested choirs, boy singers are much harder to find than formerly.

"When I came to New York 16 years ago," said Mr. F. P. Dod, who is choir-master and organist of the famous Little Church Around the Corner, "boys who could sing were so numerous that when I inserted a small advertisement in a daily paper, asking for choir boys,



WILLIAM BRANDON, Soloist Little Church Around the Corner, New York.

I had a dozen applications next day. Now, however, you could advertise every day for a month and not have that many replies. I also sent to one of the public schools near by requesting the principal to select some singers for me, and when I went to see them a day or two after he had 50 boys waiting for me—and they were all good singers, too. If I should send such a request as this to-day, I probably would not be able to get a single one that I could use, not because voices are growing any



HENRY DONLAN, Soloist St. Paul's Church, Boston.

scarcer, but because there are dozens of vested choirs now to one 15 or 16 years ago.

The present soloist at the Little Church Around the Corner is William Brandon, a young man of 14, whose voice has the sympathetic quality of a woman's to a remarkable degree. Listeners in the congregation frequently refuse to believe that it is not a woman who is singing, so

ably sweet is his voice. It is especially well adapted to such solos as "Sweet is Thy Mercy, Lord," "As Pants the Heart," and others which require depth of feeling and facility of expression. Two of the best boy soloists in Boston are Willie Barnes, aged 11, and Henry Dolan, aged 14. Master Willie Barnes is a soloist at Emmanuel church. He is a newcomer, having entered the choir only last winter, but he is already becoming popular as a concert singer.

Master Henry Donlan, of St. Paul's church, is considered by musical critics to be a most phenomenal singer. He can sing with perfect ease to G sharp in alto, and his selections are rendered in such artistic style that he has earned the right to be ranked with the best adult professionals. His famous Easter solos are "Angels, Roll the Rock Away," and "O! Risen Lord," by Fisher. He is a Cambridge boy and also leading soloist at Appleton chapel, Harvard college, besides his work as soloist at St. Paul's. He has sung with great success in the oratorio of "Elijah," and is engaged to sing in the oratorio of "The Holy City" in New York in May, besides concert singing in the same place. He has sung in most of the large cities of New England and is frequently in demand at



WILLIAM BARNES, Soloist Emmanuel Church, Boston.

musicals given at the homes of Boston's four hundred.

Mr. George E. Thumser, of Mt. Calvary church, Baltimore, has overcome the insuperable difficulty to most boys of the inevitable change of voice, for though 19 years of age, he still continues to be a choir boy in the same church in which he has sung for six years. This is due to the fact that he has developed a most remarkable falsetto, instead of the usual masculine tenor or baritone.

Chicago's favorite choir boy is Master George F. Meader, soloist of Grace church. He is a beautiful child, but



GEORGE F. MEADER, Soloist Grace Church, Chicago.

though 13 years old looks scarcely 11. His voice, though wonderfully sweet, is most remarkable for its perfect intonation and exquisite expression. Master Meader is a Minneapolis boy, and at the age of seven entered the surplined choir of the Church of Gethsemane in that city. It is said that, as a baby, he was passionately fond of music, and that he began to sing as he learned to talk. He is a genuine little artist with a well-trained voice of rare quality.

There are many other good soloists in the various churches in different cities throughout the country, but these are sufficient to show that nowadays there is a brilliant, though naturally brief, career for any boy with a good voice who is willing to attend service regularly every Sunday, and at other times when needed, and to give up three afternoons or evenings a week for rehearsals. The pay, in most cases, is not large, the ordinary choir boy receiving anywhere from \$40 to \$50 a year for his services, and the soloists only a few hundred. Cases have been known where a boy soloist was paid as high as \$1,000 a year, but this is very unusual. ANNIE LAURIE WOOD.

MURDER AND SUICIDE

Another Sad Tragedy at North Adams, Mass.

HUSBAND AND WIFE DIE TOGETHER.

The Result of a Family Quarrel—The Old Massachusetts Village Has Been the Scene of a Number of Dreadful Crimes.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., April 13.—Mrs. Rebecca Bamford was shot and probably fatally injured by her husband, Edward Bamford, at their home here yesterday. Bamford then shot himself and is expected to die. It is understood that the shooting was the outcome of a dispute, during which Mrs. Bamford ordered her husband out of the house.

Bamford is 53 years of age, and his wife is 62. They have one son. The trouble between Mr. and Mrs. Bamford yesterday arose over money matters. It is claimed that although the man has been ill for some time and his mind was believed to be affected, quarrels have not been infrequent.

Yesterday morning the subject came up, and after some violent talk Mrs. Bamford ordered her husband from the house. Bamford secured a large stone, broke the panel of the door and forced an entrance. He ran to his room and secured a revolver, and on his return, seeing Mrs. Bamford upon the doorstep about to flee, he fired five shots at her, one entering the breast and another the right arm. The woman ran to a neighbor's house, where she fell at the door. After firing the shots at his wife, Bamford returned to his room, secured more cartridges and while lying upon his bed fired four bullets into his abdomen. He next tucked the pistol between the mattresses. He was conscious when found by the police, who had been summoned.

He offered no explanation as to the motive of his crime and was immediately carried to the hospital with his wife, where it was announced that both were expected to die at any moment. Before she was taken to the hospital, a lawyer was summoned, and Mrs. Bamford made a will in favor of her son, Edward, who, she claimed, left home some time ago because of his father's truly disposition.

Died on His Son's Wedding Day. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., April 13.—Lieutenant Colonel John Lloyd Broome died at Hotel Bennett yesterday afternoon 10 o'clock, after an illness of several months. His son, Captain George Broome, was married yesterday morning in Washington to Miss Arthur, and started immediately for this city to reach the bedside of his father. Colonel Broome was the only surviving son of Captain John Lloyd Broome and a grandson of Lieutenant John Broome, an early lieutenant governor of New York state, after whom Broome county was named. Deceased was born in New York city in 1814.

Boston Fishermen Will Combine. BOSTON, April 13.—As a result of the war which began between Boston and Gloucester dealers some months ago for the control of the retail fish business plans have been completed for the formation of a large corporation in this city similar to that in Gloucester to compete with the latter company. It is intended to incorporate the company under the laws of Massachusetts with a capital stock of \$300,000. The purchase of vessels at an average cost of \$6,500 is contemplated, leaving a working capital of \$40,000.

Postmasters Appointed. WASHINGTON, April 13.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: Maryland—Eyer, Barbara Eyer; Fearer, Amos M. Umbel, New Jersey—Bayville, Frederick Simons, New York—Curry, Elmer G. Everett; Port Covington Center, Anson H. Ellsworth; Hasbrouck, Joshua H. Velez; Oakland Valley, Benjamin Decker; Goodale Basin, Cornelius J. Mack; Oak, Alice Adamson, Pennsylvania—Johnhurst, R. C. Drum; Vanderbilt, David L. Laughery.

Isles Confesses. NEW YORK, April 13.—Frederick G. Isles, who was secretary of the Kings county grand jury, has confessed that he had tried to bribe the grand jurymen to protect Theodore R. Willis and Police Commissioner W. E. Phillips in implicating Charles M. Winant, Mr. Phillips' secretary, who was arrested and held in \$5,000 bail.

Love Drove Him to Suicide. HARTFORD, April 13.—Richard Johnson, aged 20, employed as a weaver in Cheney's silk mills at Manchester, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself in the right breast. It is supposed from a note that he left that the act was caused by disappointment in love.

Stole One Thousand Books. CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 13.—L. E. Good of South Boston, who, it is charged, has been building up an extensive private library by stealing books, was charged here yesterday. The case was continued until April 23, and Hood was released on bail. He will, it is understood, make restitution. In all about 600 books, valued at more than \$2,000, are taken from Hood's house. It is charged that Hood has taken these books from numerous second hand stores in Boston, Cambridge and other places.

The Tobacco Trust. ST. LOUIS, April 13.—It is reported that a deal has been consummated whereby the Drummond Tobacco company of this city, said to be the largest tobacco manufacturing concern in the world, has passed into the control of the American Tobacco company. Late yesterday afternoon Mr. Drummond was found. He could not be seen, but authorized the statement that no company had an option on his plant and that it had not been sold.

Wire For Torpedoes. SARATOGA, April 13.—The General Electric company of Schenectady is issuing a big torpedo wire order for the United States government. It will require over three weeks to fill the order and work on it takes precedence of all other contracts.

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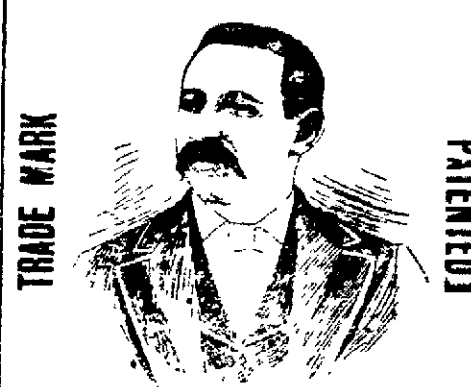
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Hundreds of yards of New Dress Goods were clipped off and sold for cash. New Hats from our new Millinery Department, Spring Jackets, Suits, Capes and Wrappers went out as fast as they could be handled. Yard after yard of Carpets, Oil Cloths and Mattings were cut off and all for cash, mind you; and yet we were told in strict confidence, by an old business man of this place, who had handled carpets for years, that we could do no carpet business unless we trusted. But it's the little price for cash, the small profit and the quick sale that keep us on the jump all day long, that keeps our prices below those of our competitors, who have to put half of their sales each day on the ledger.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 13.—Increasing cloudiness and possibly showers, to-night; Thursday, rain; warmer, to-night, winds becoming easterly.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m. 47°; 12 m. 51°; 3 p. m. 74°.

Consul General Lee's journey to Washington was like the progress of a triumphant conqueror. It was a fitting recognition of duty bravely, faithfully and intelligently done.

The resolution adopted by the Board of Education, last night, in regard to changes and improvements at the High School building, appears to mean that Contractor McWilliams having done all that his contract required, the Board of Education is now going on to finish the building.

Senators who are opposed to war announce their purpose to debate at great length any war resolution that may be offered in the Senate, and under the rules of that body there is no way by which they can be choked. If, while these friends of peace are talking, any strategic advantages are lost by the United States against Spain, this country will have paid a very high price for the courtesy of the Senate.

Washington dispatches say that many Republican Senators and Representatives, after careful perusal and study of the President's message, have concluded that it is really a war measure and they are now disposed to commend it. Middle-town Republicans, who are hot for war, do not seem to have read the message often enough and carefully enough to find its hidden meaning, and they are saying harsher things about the President than they used to say about Cleveland.

Gen. Lee's arrival in Washington seems to have fanned all the war spirit at the capital into flames. He evidently hates the Spaniards and has good reason for his hatred, and his declaration that Spanish officials in Cuba were cognizant of the plans for the destruction of the Maine will have great weight with Congress and the people of this country. He acquits Gen. Blanco of personal knowledge of the plot, but if it was conceived and executed by his subordinates the responsibility of Spain for the foul crime is in no way lessened.

The Albany Argus, speaking perhaps by inspiration from State headquarters, says that if the National Guard is called out it will be sent as a support to the artillery at the forts that guard New York's harbor and that no one acquainted with the situation believes the Guard will have even a taste of actual warfare. Service under such conditions would be little more than a tour of duty at State Camp except that they will be more pleasantly situated. In conclusion the Argus says "that any part of the National Guard will ever be engaged in a sanguinary struggle to repel a horde of Spanish invaders is not thought of by any one in a position to know why it has been deemed best to utilize the militia of these several States as coast defenders."

The Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee have agreed on a war revenue measure which will yield more than \$100,000,000 of additional revenue annually. An additional tax of \$1 a barrel on beer will produce \$35,000,000; bank stamp tax, \$30,000,000; duty of three cents a pound on coffee and ten cents a pound on tea and an internal revenue tax of like amount on stocks of coffee and tea on hand, \$28,000,000; additional tobacco tax, \$15,000,000. The committee has also agreed to authorize the issuing of \$500,000,000 of bonds, and the Treasury will also be empowered to issue certificates to tide over emergencies and pay running expenses when the revenues do not meet expenditures. These are distinctly war measures and will be put in force only in the event of hostilities breaking out, but they foreshadow the ruinous cost of war and the additional tax burdens that it will impose on this country.

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THIS MEANS WAR.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee's Resolutions.

STRONGER THAN EXPECTED.

They Demand That Spain Relinquish

Cuba—The President Directed to Use the Entire Army and Navy of the United States and the Militia to Free Cuba—Report Molds Spain Responsible for the Destruction of the Maine—A Minority Report in Favor of Recognizing the Insurgent Government.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The following is the majority resolution reported to the Senate at noon, to-day:

Whereas, The abhorrent conditions which have existed for more than three years in the island of Cuba, so near our own borders, have shocked the moral sense of the people of the United States, and have been a disgrace to Christian civilization, and culminating as they have in the destruction of a United States battleship with 266 of its officers and crew, while on a friendly visit in the harbor of Havana, cannot longer be endured, as has been set forth by the President of the United States in his message to Congress, on April 11th, 1898, upon which the action of Congress was invited, therefore,

Resolved, first—That the people of the island of Cuba are and of right ought to be free and independent.

Second—That it is the duty of the United States to demand and the government of the United States does hereby demand that the government of Spain relinquish authority and government in the island of Cuba, and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters.

Third—That the President of the United States be and he hereby is directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States, the militia of the several states to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.

The report of the committee was made by Senator Davis and was a strong presentation of the facts which led the committee to its conclusions. The Maine question was referred to as follows:

"The destruction of the Maine, of the killing of two of her officers and of 266 of her crew in the harbor of Havana excited to an unprecedented degree the resentment of the American people. Manifestations of that resentment were suspended, although the feeling was not allayed by the self restraint of our people, who determined to hold their judgment in suspense concerning their ultimate action until the official investigation should disclose the cause of that great disaster and enable them by direct or circumstantial testimony to impute the responsibility therefor. That investigation has been made. The difficulty of demonstrating by conclusive proofs the personal cause of that sinister event was the one usual to plotted explosions and mysterious crimes. No such difficulty, however, obscures its official and responsible cause."

The committee says that the explosion that wrecked the Maine was linked with a series of precedent transactions, which cannot in reason be disconnected from it. The animus of Spain was so plainly apparent that no one can even plausibly deny its existence.

The committee says further: "The duplicity, perfidy and cruelty of the Spanish character, as they always have been, are demonstrated still to continue by their manifestations during the present war in Cuba. All these circumstances considered cumulatively warrant the conclusion that the destruction of the Maine was compassed either by the official act of the Spanish authorities, and the ascertainment of the particular person is not material, or was made possible by a negligence on their part so willing and so gross as to be equivalent in culpability to positive criminal action."

Senator Hoar demanded that the report and resolution lie over under the rules until to-morrow. The Vice President decided Mr. Hoar's point well taken and the matter went over.

Senator Turpie then presented the report of the minority, as follows:

"The undersigned members of the Committee on Foreign Relations cordially concur in the report made upon the Cuban resolutions, but we favor immediate recognition of the Republic of Cuba as organized in that island as a free and independent and sovereign power among nations of the world." It was signed by Senators Turpie, Mills, Daniel and Foraker.

POPE'S LAST EFFORT FOR PEACE

Has Again Begged the Austrian Emperor to Persuade Other Sovereigns to Interfere.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

LONDON, April 6.—A special dispatch from Rome announces that the Pope has again telegraphed to Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, begging him to use his influence with the other sovereigns to interfere between the United States and Spain.

MORE SHIPS FOR THE NAVY.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The Navy Department has decided to buy the transatlantic liners, St. Paul and St. Louis.

MARRIED.

HOSIER—THOMPSON—At Monroe, April 12th, at the residence of Edward Seaman, by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson, D. D., of Middletown, Alfred Hosier, of Howell, Depot, and Mrs. Mary A. Thompson, of Monroe.

BAKER—DAILEY—In this city, April 12th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. W. Dailey, by Rev. Wm. A. Robinson, D. D., Addison N. Baker and Miss Carrie E. Dailey, both of this city.

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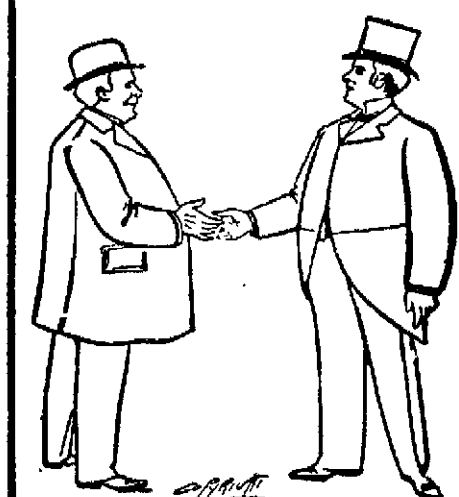
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NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The Water Commissioners of the city of Middletown, having delivered to the Common Council of said city the following statement, to wit:

OF THE
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.
February 10th, 1898.

To the honorable Common Council of the City of Middletown:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Middletown, N. Y., deem that the interests of the city call for and require the expenditure of money for the enlargement and improvement of the water works of this city, for the purpose of supplying the city with pure water, and more of it.

The supply of water in the present reservoir is not sufficient to accomplish the purpose.

We, therefore, in accordance with section seven, title twelve, of the act incorporating the city of Middletown, submit the following statement in regard to such proposed increase of supply of water and the probable cost of the same.

We propose to build a small dam or catch basin on the Shawangunk Kill, about 500 feet above the Hope mill pond, and carry the water through an open canal a distance of about 2 1/2 miles to a point about 100 feet above the Mount Hope road, where it crosses the Little Shawangunk Kill Valley, this being a suitable location for a filter bed and at the head of the proposed reservoir, which will be obtained by building a dam about 1 1/2 miles farther down the Little Shawangunk Kill to an elevation not less than fifty feet above the flow line of Monhagan Lake.

The reservoir will cover about 110 acres, and have a capacity of about 700,000,000 gallons.

We propose to convey the water from this reservoir to Monhagan Lake through a twenty inch pipe, a clear distance of about eighteen thousand feet, also connect said pipe with the present city mains, giving additional pressure for emergencies. We estimate the probable cost of the above to one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000).

W. D. STRATT, N. Y. C. O. M. M. D. W. Water Commissioners.

GEORGE W. WEST, JOHN F. DICKS, EDWARD MILLER.

As the Common Council being of the opinion that the interests of the city require the expenditure of the sum of money specified in said statement for the objects and for the reasons in said statement set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 22d day of April, 1898, a special election or appropriation meeting will be held at the Common Council room, Times Building, corner of King and Centre streets, in said city of Middletown, New York, from two o'clock in the afternoon until eight o'clock in the evening of that day, at which time the question whether the sum or sums specified in said statement shall be raised or not will be submitted to the qualified voters for their determination.

Dated Middletown, New York, March 28th, 1898. By order of the Common Council.

CHARLES TIERNEY, President.

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House Cleaning Helps Don't Forget 'em.

Window Chamis will polish a window in no time and leave no lint.

HOUSE CLEANING SPONGES—Fair quality and cheap.

Ever so much quicker than cloth for cleaning.

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That we are doing the business when our aim is to sell the best quality at a lower price than others charge for antiques.

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- Money to loan.
- Four rooms to let.
- Get your carpet cleaned at E. H. Gregory's.
- Late Rose potatoes at Sloot's "ash Store."
- See programme of Cottage Hotel.
- Fresh vegetables at Dewey & Maudy's.
- Annual meeting Middletown Glass Co.
- Dyspepsia cured by Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.
- Health restored by Dr. Miles' Nervine.
- Calendars given with Fairy Soap.
- Piso's Cure for coughs and colds.
- Constipation cured by Cascarets.
- For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Fred Ackert has taken a position with J. Chas. Schwartz.

—The dance of Waalkill Engine Company occurs at the truck house, to-night.

—Remember the H. A. G. T. Club's dance at the Assembly Rooms, to-morrow night.

—A Contented Woman will be the attraction at the Casino, Friday evening, April 22nd.

—A large crowd is assured at the H. A. G. T. Club's dance, at the Assembly Rooms, to-morrow night.

—The Chester Band, which has played in this city on several occasions and made good music, has disbanded.

—Lieut. Catlin's sword, recovered by divers from the Maine wreck, is on exhibition in a Newburgh jewelry store.

—The State Tax Commissioners will meet Orange county's Supervisors and local Assessors at Newburgh, April 21st.

—The 1,000 employees of the Kingston cigar factory began, Monday night, to work over-time or until 9 o'clock each night.

—A large crowd of spectators was present at the regular weekly drill of the 24th Separate company, at the armory, last night.

—Miss Belle Archer is in the cast of Hoyt's "A Contented Woman" which will be presented at the Casino, Friday evening, April 22nd.

—A fire started on the Shawangunk mountain, near Otisville, Saturday, by boys, who were gathering arbutus, burned fiercely all day.

—Clarence Hulse has just received an 1898 "White Flyer," weighing seventeen pounds. He expects to make some of the last ones bustle this year.

—James Beck, of Milford, while sawing wood with a circular saw, Monday caught his right hand on the saw and the two middle fingers were sawed completely off.

—The April meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church will be held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Beakes, on Washington street.

There will be a meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society at the close of the missionary meeting.

PERSONAL.

—D. Hastings Canfield returned to Lehigh University, Tuesday.

—The graduating class of the Port Jervis Academy numbers sixteen.

—Otto Dixon, of Goshen, is at White Sulphur Springs, Sullivan county.

—T. Ed. Hayes and Fred S. Rogers returned from their Southern trip, Tuesday night.

—The condition of Mrs. J. J. Shier is much improved. It is now three days since the operation.

—Frank Finn, Abe Lipfield, Will G. Decker and A. B. Macardell returned to Hamilton College, to-day.

—Henry Sloot, a patrolman stationed with the Twenty-Sixth New York precinct, is visiting friends in town.

—Samuel P. Knight, who has been spending the Easter vacation at his home in this city, returned to Yale College, to-day.

—Sid. Horton, who has been spending the spring vacation in Goshen and this city, returned, to-day, to the Princeton Preparatory School.

—Waldron Post, G. A. R., of Nyack, is organizing a military company the services of which will be tendered the government in the event of war.

—Mrs. H. A. Castle and her daughter, Miss Mame Castle, went to New York, to-day, to attend the wedding of Miss Pulver, which will take place, to-morrow.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The greater includes the less. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures scrofula, and may be depended upon to cure boils and pimples.

Accidents come with distressing frequency on the farm. Cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil relieves the pain instantly. Never safe without it.

"Little Colds." Thousands of lives sacrificed every year. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures little colds, cures big colds, too, down to the very verge of consumption.

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THE HOUSE RESOLUTION.

Which Under in Tone Than That of the Senate—Democrats Will Insist on the Recognition of Independence.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The House is considering unimportant business while awaiting the report of the Foreign Affairs Committee, which is not expected before 3 o'clock.

At 1:30 p. m., the majority of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs agreed to the following resolution, which will be reported to the House this afternoon:

Resolved, That the President is hereby authorized and directed to intervene at once to stop the war in Cuba, and to that end and with the purpose of securing permanent peace and order there and establishing by the free action of the people thereof a stable and independent government of their own in the island of Cuba, the President is hereby authorized and empowered to use the land and naval forces of the United States to execute the purposes of this resolution.

It seems certain that this resolution will be passed this afternoon under a special rule which will permit of little or possibly no delay in debate.

The Democrats in neither house will agree to the Republican resolutions, but will insist on the recognition of the independence of the insurgents. Foraker and other Republicans in the Senate will aid them.

SPAIN PREPARING FOR WAR.

Cabinet Orders Mediterranean Ports For Armed and Manned Other Parts of the Kingdom Put in a State of Defense—Official Opinion on the President's Message.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

MADRID, April 13.—As a result of a long Cabinet meeting, last night, the Spanish war officials are actively engaged in fortifying and manning Mediterranean ports and the islands of Spain and in placing other portions of the kingdom in a state of defense.

It is understood that instructions have been issued to Capt. Gen. Blanco to carry the suspension of hostilities into practical effect according to circumstances in each district.

When the ministers adjourned an official note was issued setting forth views of the government. Referring to President McKinley's message the note says:

"The doctrines contained in the message are incompatible with the sovereignty and rights of nations, and are an interference in the international affairs of this country."

The Spanish government, however, expresses the opinion that it is not called to take action until the recommendations of President McKinley have become specific acts.

Thus it is considered by the Spanish here that matters are practically as they were before the message was sent to Congress, and the opinion is expressed in official circles that neither the message nor last night's Cabinet meeting have changed the prospects of peace.

THE FLYING SQUADRON.

Sailed This Afternoon Under Sealed Orders.

OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., April 13.—The flying squadron sailed at 2 o'clock under sealed orders for the south.

ONLY A PRACTICE CRUISE.

It is officially announced that the flying squadron sailed this afternoon on a 48 hours practice cruise.

Preparing for the Opening of "The Fair," to-morrow.

The force of employees at "The Fair," on East Main street, have been busy, to-day, preparing the store for the grand opening, to-morrow. A special display of granite and china, tinware, etc., will be made. The proprietors guarantee the goods and announce that they are not auction or damaged stock, but are bought direct from the makers.

In Supreme Court.

The time of the Supreme Court in Newburgh, Tuesday, was occupied in the trial of the case of J. Garrahan, as administrator, vs. the Newburgh Electric Railway Company. The suit is brought to recover damages for the death of plaintiff's little son, who was killed while playing on the railroad tracks.

Hearing on Third Class Cities' Lighting Contract Bill.

Mayor Mance announces that a public hearing on the bill sent from Albany in regard to lighting contracts in cities of the third class will be given Thursday night, April 11, at 8 o'clock.

Knocked Down by a Horse.

Master Joe Hurley, of the Benton avenue school, was knocked down by a horse, Tuesday afternoon, and received injuries to his head and limbs, but not of a serious nature.

WHAT ASTROLOGISTS PREDICT.

From the Albany Argus.

The astrologists seem for once to have made a correct prediction from their reading of the stars. *Raphael's Astrologist Almanac* for 1898 foretold that "in the month of June next the presence of the planets Saturn and Uranus in Sagittary will produce serious troubles for Spain, and during their passage through that sign a loss of prestige and territory will occur." Like the utterances of the Delphic oracle, the last clause is ambiguous, so as to fit the result either way, but the natural inference is that the loss is to be Spain's.

ASKING FOR INFORMATION.

A Daughter of W. B. Hallock, Was Just Learned of His Death and Wants to Know About It.

Mrs. A. A. Volz, of No. 13 1/2 Pleasant street, Rochester, has written to this city, asking for information concerning W. B. Hallock, who, the writer states was her father, and of whose death in 1897, she has just learned. She states that he lived at No. 8 Horton avenue, Middletown.

William H. Hallock was found dead in the stable at his home, No. 8 Horton avenue, in this city, March 12, 1897, by his wife. He was lying behind a horse which he had gone to feed about 6 a. m. There were no bruises upon his body.

The daughter, Mrs. Volz, was not mentioned in the obituary notice which was based on information furnished by the family.

Mrs. Hallock was seen this afternoon. She knows Mrs. Volz and once offered her a home. Mrs. Hallock has had more than her share of trouble in life and to reveal it now would only add new griefs and humiliations.

DRIVING PARK ASSOCIATION.

Directors Elected at Tuesday Night's Meeting—Leaving of the Track Discussed.

The annual meeting of the Middletown Driving Park Association was held at the Russell House, Tuesday night, 510 shares of stock being represented.

Robert Lemon was chairman and W. F. Royce secretary.

The following were elected directors: E. A. Brown, Geo. A. Swayze, Ira M. Gardner, Charles L. Elwood, W. D. Stratton, F. M. Barnes, Robert Lemon, E. E. Wood, W. F. Royce, Hoik D. Campbell, L. C. Hoyt, B. B. Williams, Geo. J. J. Lett.

Charles L. Elwood and E. E. Wood were chosen inspectors for election for next year, and an adjournment was taken until Friday night, at 7:30, when the directors will elect officers.

During the informal talk of the evening, Budd Murray, the well known horseman, who was present with Ira Ryerson, expressed a desire to lease the track. The matter was left with E. A. Brown, who will report at the next meeting.

OBITUARY.

Hiram C. Newman.

Hiram C. Newman, a native of Goshen and for many years a merchant in that city, died at his home in Jersey City, Sunday. He left Goshen a good many years ago and removed to Brooklyn, engaging as salesman with a New York dry goods house. He was a devout Christian and was active in Christ work. He is survived by a number of children.

Oliver L. Carpenter.

Oliver L. Carpenter, a well known marketman of Port Jervis, died there, this morning, of Bright's disease, aged fifty-five. He was a son of the late Oliver L. and Julia M. (Raynor) Carpenter, and was born in the town of Greenville. After his marriage to Margaret Rose Cole, in 1872, he moved to Port Jervis, where he has since resided. He kept a tobacco store for a few years and then engaged in the market business, in which he was very successful, having acquired a considerable fortune. He was for several terms one of Deerpark's assessors.

Orange County Telephone Company's New Switch Board.

The Orange County Telephone Company received its new switch board, to-day, which will allow it to increase the number of telephones from 300 to 400.

Sale of a Sausage Express Business.

Ora G. O'Neal has sold his baggage express business to John H. Houston, of whom he originally purchased it. Mr. Houston put on his badge, this morning.

"Painless and Delightful Catarrh Remedy."

is the good word which John MacLanes, Wathack Bridge, N. S., has to say of Dr. Agnew's Catarrh Powder, after having suffered from Catarrhal Deafness for years. In 10 minutes from the first application he had relief, and after using but one bottle his hearing was restored in all its natural acuteness. Not an excuse for despairing of a cure with such a remedy within reach of you. Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured.

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

Bring Your JOB PRINTING!

TO THE ARGUS and Mercury Office.

We can print your Letter Heads, Bill Heads, Statements, Envelopes, Business Cards, Visiting Cards, Posters, in fact anything you may need, at the very lowest prices. Good work and good material.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

Fine Wedding and other Invitations, and Ball Programmes a specialty. Complete stock of all the latest designs.

FOR EASTER. ALL THE DELICACIES OF THE SEASON!

Strawberries, Asparagus, Large Boston Head Lettuce, Water Cress, Sweet Potatoes, Bermuda Potatoes, Bermuda Onions, Sliced Celery, Radishes, Fancy Print Butter, Cape Cod Cranberries, Sweet Oranges, Grape Fruit, Choice Roasted Coffee, etc.

CITY GROCERS.

Bull & Youngblood.
56 North St., Opp. Postoffice
TELEPHONE CALL 53

A Large Assortment of FLOWER SEEDS!

Double Pearl Tubercle Bulbs, Mixed Sweet Peas in bulk, Onion Sets, etc., at

F. M. PRONK'S.

William's Kidney Pills
Has no equal in diseases of the Kidneys and Urinary Organs. Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in the loins, side, back, groin, and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? Too frequent desire pass urine? William's Kidney Pills will impart new life to the diseased organs, tone up the system and make a new man of you. By mail 50 cents per box. WILSON MED. CO., Props., Cleveland, O. SOLD IN MIDDLETOWN BY W. D. OLNEY.

Campbell's Varnish Stains!

These stains are in use with great care, from the very best materials, and with one coat give a fine color and finish to all kinds of Furniture (wood and rattan) and interior woodwork, making it look like new.

J. Erskine Mills,
Druggist, North St.

Those special Blank Books had made at MONTYRE'S BINDERY, 32 North Street, Middletown are first class and the price was all right.

MURDER AT KINGSTON.

Negro Kills a Junk Dealer to Rob Him of Six Dollars.

KINGSTON, N. Y., April 13.—Elting Roe, aged 19, colored, is in the Ulster county jail, charged with killing David Marr, who was about the same age as Roe. Marr, who was a Polish Jew and a junk dealer, was prevailed upon by Roe on Saturday to go with him to the Esopus creek, where he said he had a quantity of brass to sell. After getting him to a barn about 600 feet from the creek, it is charged Roe killed Marr and robbed him of \$6.

After the robbery Roe dragged Marr's body to the creek, where it was found yesterday afternoon with the back of the head crushed in. Marr's hat was found near the barn close to a pool of blood and a board, on which there was blood and hair.

Roe was seen with Marr on Saturday last, and as he had endeavored to inveigle other junk dealers to the creek, he was suspected and was arrested when Marr failed to return home Saturday night.

Since his arrest Roe has told several stories, but they were false. Early last week Roe endeavored to get three other junk dealers to accompany him to the Esopus creek. Although young in years Roe has been arrested several times and has a bad record.

NEW IRON TRUST.

One of the Biggest Combinations in the History of the Iron Trade.

CLEVELAND, April 13.—The initial steps toward the formation of one of the biggest combines in the history of the iron business were taken at a meeting held here yesterday. Practically all the manufacturers of foundry iron between the Allegheny and Rocky mountains were represented.

The present movement is the direct result of the formation of the association of Bessemer furnace men recently completed in this city. The men who are to go into the new combination are what are known as non-Bessemer men, the manufacturers of foundry iron who do not work Bessemer ore. The non-Bessemer manufacturers of the south and of the east have already formed two strong organizations. The meeting of the western men here yesterday was for the purpose of forming the manufacturers in this territory into a sub-organization and then merging all the three organizations covering the east, west and south into one big combine.

A general headquarters will be established at New York, with branch headquarters at some central point in each of the three districts. At yesterday's meeting the western manufacturers appointed a committee to bring the plan to a focus.

SPORTING NOTES.

Professional Sprint For World's Championship to Be Held in New York.

NEW YORK, April 13.—William H. Robertson is now making arrangements to pull off a world's championship professional sprinting race at 100 yards in this vicinity during the coming season. The prospects are that Downer, the "Flying Scotchman," and Harper, the greatest of English sprinters since Harry Hutchings was in his prime, will come over to compete against the American runners. The present intention is to have the race take place in September.

The Empire Athletic club of Syracuse has received notice from Matchmaker Tom O'Rourke that he has matched Kid McCoy and Gus Ruhlin for May 3 and Jim Jeffries and Peter Maher for May 29 before the Empire club. Both matches are for 20 rounds.

The baseball game between the University of North Carolina and the University of Pennsylvania yesterday ended in a row. Pennsylvania refused to finish the game because of dissatisfaction with a decision of the umpire.

Kelley, Jennings and Keeler, three of the four recalcitrant Baltimore ball players who had held out for increased salaries, have reported for duty at Manager Hanlon's terms.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The town of Osborne, O., has been almost entirely destroyed by fire.

The Swiss government has forbidden the importation of American fresh fruits.

The Harvard senior class has voted to do away with the historic tree exercises on class day.

Mrs. William Hawley, aged 25, was fatally burned at Saratoga. Her dress ignited from a bonfire.

In a street fight in Hongkong 150 American and British sailors defeated 100 Russians, Germans and French.

The conflict at Kin-chow, due to the Chinese commander's refusal to evacuate for the Russians, has been referred to Peking and St. Petersburg.

W. H. Truesdale, third vice-president and general manager of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific road, is said to have been offered the presidency of the Lake Shore.

A duel was fought at Mineral City, Kan., between Jack Murphy, a farmer, and an unknown man. Both were killed, each receiving four shots in the body. The cause of the tragedy is not known.

Bound to Die.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., April 13.—Saul Schlachte of New York, traveling agent for a Worcester house, committed suicide at St. James hotel yesterday by swallowing most of the contents of a 15 cent bottle of rough on rats and of a six ounce bottle of carbolic acid. He wrote letters to relatives before committing the fatal act. He was 25 years of age.

Grosvener Renominated.
ATHENS, O., April 13.—Hon. C. H. Grosvener was renominated yesterday for the sixth time by the Eleventh Congressional district. The convention endorsed the policy of President McKinley on the Cuban question.

Body Identified.

OSWEGO, N. Y., April 13.—The body of the man found dead in a freight car Sunday afternoon has been identified as that of Albert Shaw of Sudus Center, Wayne county. It is not known when or at what place he entered the car.

Medical School at Cornell.

ITHACA, N. Y., April 13.—President Schurman of Cornell university has confirmed the report that the university is considering the advisability of establishing a medical department.



A Shattered Nervous System.

Many women have a constant cloud of gloom and depression. The cause is a weak nervous system. The average doctor cannot help them much. It is not too late to become a specialist and learn the best treatment for these delicate troubles. He relies upon "local treatment."

which seldom does any good, and often does harm. No wonder women get discouraged, but they needn't.

Any woman suffering from these delicate complaints who will write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., will receive free of charge, a letter of sound professional advice and suggestion for home-treatment. Dr. Pierce is one of the most skillful specialists in the world in treating women's diseases, and his "Favorite Prescription" cures the most obstinate difficulties, when all else fails.

J. F. Beverly, Esq., of Colliad, Colliad Co., Tex., writes: "My wife suffered from cold feet and fainting spells, heaviness and soreness in the lower part of the stomach, also heart trouble, loss of appetite, tired feelings, rest broken, could not sleep. I tried five doctors. None of them gave her relief. She suffered five years. She was helpless—could not walk from the bed to the fire-place. She used two bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, one bottle of Dr. Pierce's Pellets, and the last month treatment he advised. Before my wife had used the first bottle of the medicine she felt the good effect and said one bottle would be enough. I insisted on her using two bottles, and she did so. Now she is sound and well—and I can praise your medicine to the extreme."



Health is Wealth.

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REFUGEES FROM MATANZAS.

Had to Abandon All Their Property to the Spaniards.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The Norwegian steamer Herman Wedel Jarlsberg arrived yesterday afternoon from Matanzas and brought 13 passengers, who fled from that port to evade the Spanish mob. The party were United States Consul Brice and his staff and their families.

Consul Brice said that for three days before leaving Matanzas the people threatened his life, and at all times his property was in danger. His secretary was obliged to flee for his life, as they threatened to drag him through the streets. During these three days the consul stuck manfully to his post, distributing supplies to the starving reconcentrados and relieving their necessities. At 7 p. m. of the 8th inst. he got notice from Havana to withdraw from his post. The Jarlsberg was the only steamer in port, and Captain Kjerland agreed to take the consul and his party to New York. At 10 p. m. the party embarked, and the steamer immediately sailed.

The consul left all of his baggage, and none of the party was able to bring away any of their effects. The consul says that the condition of the people is terrible and that the authorities are making no effort to supply their wants.

CRISIS IN SPAIN.

Civil War Said to Be Threatening the Government.

LONDON, April 13.—There are rumors that a crisis has arisen in Spain which not only makes the downfall of the Sagasta ministry almost certain, but gravely imperils the dynasty itself and the existence of the monarchy. In a word, the Spanish government is almost on the point of collapse. The situation has been growing rapidly worse for a month past. Not only is the patience of the people exhausted, but the Sagasta ministry is hopelessly disrupted. Both these facts explain the policy of tardy and therefore futile concessions under the pressure of diplomatic and papal influences.

A prominent Spaniard said: "There will be a civil war here within a month if there is not war with the United States. The Sagasta ministry will soon go, when the people learn how they have been deceived in every step of the recent negotiations, including Saturday's announcement of an armistice, when the government gave out that it was for five days only, with onerous conditions imposed on the United States."

"There will be a serious uprising of the army, which will be useless against a mob. The troops would join the rioters, as the government well knows. Weiler is gaining fresh influence with the army, which he will not hesitate to turn against the present government if opportunity offers."

DENIED BY THE AUSTRIANS.

They Did Not Say the Maine Was Blown Up From the Inside.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Officers of the Austrian corvette Donau indignantly deny the report telegraphed from Washington that they had expressed the opinion that the Maine was blown up by an internal explosion. Lieutenant Bedesheim, the third officer of the ship, who speaks English fluently, acted as spokesman for the others. He said:

"None of the officers of this ship said that. We could not reach such a conclusion, as while we were in the harbor of Havana it was not possible for us to make any investigation. We were not permitted to go near the wreck. Only Spanish and American officers who employed divers to examine the submerged part of the wreck can tell the cause of the explosion."

"Lieutenant Hoehndel, who was in command of the Donau while we were at Havana, and the rest of us have not said that the report of the American court of inquiry was wrong. A careful investigation was made, and we have not questioned the result."

Spanish Consul Leaves Key West.

KEY WEST, April 13.—Rafael Seco, the Spanish consul here, left on the Mascotte last evening, having turned over his papers and the affairs of his consulate to the British vice consul, W. J. H. Taylor.

J. M. Fernandez, Spanish vice consul, who has been acting as Italian consul, has also turned his affairs over to Mr. Taylor, who will now represent here Great Britain, Spain and Italy. The action taken by Seco and Fernandez was under instructions from the Spanish minister in Washington, Senor Polo y Bernabe, who this morning sent to Seco a copy of his instructions received from Madrid.

Somers Makes Another Start.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The torpedo boat Somers, which was purchased from Germany, again left England yesterday on her way to the United States. She will be followed by the gunboat Topaka. No report has reached the navy department that the vessel sprung a leak and had to return to England, and the authorities do not believe that she was damaged.

Don Carlos May Get In the Game.

LONDON, April 13.—According to a special dispatch from Venice, Don Carlos, the pretender to the Spanish throne, has declared his intention to "hold aloof from hostile manifestations so long as the Spanish government upholds the honor of the nation." Otherwise he will "take the steps he deems necessary to support the dignity of the country."

Paris Press Opinions.

PARIS, April 13.—The Journal des Debats says, "The president's message to congress, despite its soft spoken terms, is an affirmation of the right of the United States to intervene in Cuba." The Republique Francaise says, "That intervention is the sole object of the United States is disclosed by the message."

Shields Joins the Episcopallians.

WILMINGTON, Del., April 13.—Bishop Coleman was notified by letter from Bishop Potter of New York that Professor Charles Shields of the Princeton Theological seminary has been received into the Episcopal church, and was recently confirmed by Bishop Potter. Professor Charles Woodruff Shields is the man who joined with Grover Cleveland in signing a petition for a liquor license for Princeton inn.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN PURSUANCE of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Crawford, late of said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, the administrator of the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at his place of residence, in the town of Crawford, aforesaid, on or before the 22d day of September, 1898.

Dated March 22d of September, 1898.

GEORGE S. GREEN, Administrator. JOHN C. TAYLOR, Attorney for Administrator, Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. uWedsSept21

IN PURSUANCE of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Hector Braxator, late of the town of Mount Hope, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, the administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at his residence, in the village of Suffern, town of Ramapo, Rockland county, New York, on or before the 31st day of July, 1898.

Dated December 24th, 1897.

WILLIAM L. BAXTER, Administrator. JOHN C. TAYLOR, Attorney for Administrator, Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. uWedsJune24

IN PURSUANCE of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Dwight W. Berry, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at his office, No. 16 East Main street, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 15th day of June next.

Dated November 2nd, 1897.

MART S. BERRY, Administrator. S. M. BOYD, Attorney for Administrator. uWedsMay24

IN PURSUANCE of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Lucinda Horton Tocom, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at his office, No. 16 East Main street, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 15th day of April next.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Annual Meeting Tuesday Night—Mr. Powellson Elected President—To Complete the High School Building—Teachers' Application—Bills Audited.

The annual meeting of the Board of Education was held, Tuesday evening, present, Messrs. Purdy, Martin, Hoyce, Finn, Swalm, Powellson, Hardenbergh, Cox, Hanford and Supt. Tutbill.

The clerk called the meeting to order and an informal ballot was taken for president which resulted as follows: J. B. Swalm 2, D. Finn 1, L. C. Purdy 1, A. V. N. Powellson 3, C. W. Martin 2. A formal ballot was then taken which resulted: Powellson 4, Finn 2, T. Hanford 3, R. M. Cox 1.

A second informal ballot resulted: Powellson 3, Hanford 3, Swalm 1, Dr. Hardenbergh 1, Martin 1.

A third formal ballot resulted: Powellson 5, Purdy 1, Hanford 3.

On motion of Mr. Hanford, Mr. Powellson's election was made unanimous.

The minutes of the meetings of March 8th and 24th were read and approved as read.

The Librarian's report was read and ordered filed and a check for \$20.68 from the Librarian for fines was ordered deposited with the City Treasurer.

An application from C. T. Redfield for appointment as janitor was ordered filed.

The High School Committee was empowered to make the necessary changes and improvements at that building, such as wire netting for skylights, entrance gates, enclosing gas engine, painting terra cotta and completing flues.

While the resolution was under consideration, Mr. Cox said that he thought, for the information of the new members of the Board and citizens generally, the High School building committee should make a complete report.

Several of the old members spoke up at once, saying that the new members knew as much about the High School building as they did, the building committee not having taken the other members of the Board into their confidence.

Mr. Cox asked if there was enough of the appropriation for the high school building left to pay for the work proposed, all of which was evidently necessary to properly complete the building.

Mr. Hanford, of the Building Committee, answered that there was no money left. Mr. Hanford said further that the Building Committee's report had been delayed because the committee had not yet been able to effect a settlement with some of the contractors.

The superintendent was directed to ascertain what teachers desire reappointment and report with his recommendations to the Board at its regular meeting in May.

Messrs. Finn and Hardenbergh were added to the Auditing Committee for the evening and the following bills were audited and ordered paid:

Bausch-Loub Optical Co., microscope \$42.26
T. H. McAllister, attachment 13.50

Total \$55.76

WAR TALK AT THE ARMY.
Capt. McIntyre Tells His Command Some Things They Will Need If Called Into Service.

Captain McIntyre, last evening, gave to his command the first verbal instructions which savored of "war talk" since the scare was first on. He cautioned the men to provide themselves with small linen or muslin bags, one to hold a pound of coffee, another for a supply of salt and still another for pepper, all to be carried in the pack. The instructions regarding extra clothing to be carried in case of a call for service have been bulletined for some time, and the articles called for are: One extra pair broad-tail shoes; two extra pairs of socks; one extra suit of underclothes; one extra blue flannel shirt besides the one worn; two dozen handkerchiefs; two towels; one cake of soap; one hair brush and comb; one tooth brush; one whisk broom or brush.

Yet Ready to Laugh.
Excepting women, only men laughs. Therefore, contrary to what some prudish people would have us believe, to laugh is mainly, and a good, hearty, boisterous, button-starting laugh not only indicates the possession of manly qualities, but is also good for the constitution. Many who heard John Thomas last January laughed all the time that he was in sight, all the way home, and will laugh yet on mention of his name. He will be at the Casino for the Y. M. C. A., Friday evening, to take some more starch out of your dignity. 11

Real Estate Notes.
John F. Dicks has sold his fine residence property, No. 47 Grand avenue, to John W. Dennis, of this city. Mr. Dicks will continue to occupy the property until the completion of a new dwelling he has arranged to erect on the east side of Grand avenue. The sale was made by Case & Taylor, Real Estate and Insurance Agents.

Invited to the Democratic Club's Reception.
A few well known Democrats in this city have received invitations to the reception to be given to Hon. Richard Croker by the Democratic Club, of New York City, Saturday evening, April 16th.

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Here is the story of a woman who was helped by Mrs. Pinkham after other treatment failed:

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CRESCENT BASE BALL CLUB.
Officers Chosen at Tuesday Night's Meeting—Another Meeting to Be Held.

At a meeting of the Crescent base ball club, last night, the following officers were chosen:

President—Charles Jones.
Vice President—James Vail.
Secretary—Joseph Farrell.
Financial Secretary—Fred Sheerin.
Treasurer—James A. Larkin.
Sergeant-at-arms—Thos. Perry.
Manager—Thomas Casey.
Captain—Wm. Cunningham.

Another meeting will be held Thursday evening at Nearing Hall.

Real Estate Sales.
John Seaman, of this city, has sold to Newton LeFever, of Ellenville, property at Fallsburgh, for \$650.

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Tobacco 109 1/2 108
Chicago Gas 92 1/2 92 1/2
Nat. Lead 29 1/2 29 1/2
General Electric 31 1/2 31 1/2
U. S. L. pref. 56 1/2 56 1/2
Temp. Coal and Iron 19 1/2 19 1/2
A. T. & S. E. 113 1/2 113 1/2
C. O. B. & Q. 93 1/2 93 1/2
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W. Union 97 1/2 97 1/2
L. & N. 54 1/2 54 1/2
Manhattan 98 1/2 98 1/2
P. M. 24 1/2 24 1/2
F. M. 16 1/2 16 1/2
No. Pacific pref. 62 1/2 62 1/2
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Brooklyn Rapid Transit 26 1/2 26 1/2
Southern pref. 107 1/2 107 1/2
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AUCTION-EXECUTOR'S SALE.
The undersigned, as executor of the last will and testament of Leonard Trvon, deceased, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the premises, No. 23 Mulberry street, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., April 20th, 1898, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., the house and lot numbered 1 and designated. The house is centrally located. The lot is about 50 feet front on Mulberry street and 100 feet deep. Terms made known on day of sale. SAMUEL W. TRYON, Executor. JOHN F. BRADNER, Attorney for Executor. 15d St. 15d St. 15d St. 15d St.

Cottage Hotel Entertainments.
WEEK OF APRIL 16.

Pay and Hawley, comedy, sketch and buck and wing dances; Miss Jessie Grayson, serio-comic; Lou Diamond, Irish comedy and dance; Miss Nellie Edwards, song and dance. P. S.—Don't forget the grand ball, Thursday night, in connection with the above show. Care leave for Middletown at 1 a. m., and Goshen at 12:30.

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APRIL IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

April, and just this part of April, too has been marked by many important events in the history of the United States and a number of contemporaries have noticed the fact. Sumter was attacked on April 12, the battle of Lexington was fought on April 19, Lincoln issued his call for troops on April 14, Lee's surrender on April 9, and the first engagement of the Mexican war took place on April 24. The list might easily be lengthened, but so far as present investigation reveals, April 11, has always managed to be a "dies non." Is there a queer suggestion in that, or isn't there?

PREPARED FOR WAR.

A North Carolina man has settled the war question in a novel manner. "Whether they have war or not," he is quoted as saying, "it has made a good man of me already."

"How can that be," he was asked? "Well," he went on, in dead earnest, "they tell me that if there is to be war the government will call out the regular army first; then the militia is to be called and after this the Baptists, because they can fight on water and Methodists can't. I went right straight and joined the Methodists!"

An Episcopal Church in Chester.
Work on the foundation of an Episcopal Church in Chester was begun last week. The building, which will be modest but comfortable, will be located in the upper part of the village a short distance from the Chester Bank's new building.

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With the lowest prices ever given in Middletown at HART DAVIS'S, 45 North street. It presents an opportunity for economical buying that nobody can afford to miss. Our store is crowded with the newest of new styles selected with experienced care as to quality, style and variety. It is the place to get the right goods at the right prices.

Ladies' Wrappers
672 Wrappers for this great sale. Lot No. 1—Ladies' dressmaker made Wrappers, made from the very best percale, all dark styles, handsomely trimmed and perfect fitting, \$1.48. Lot No. 2—Ladies' Light Percale Wrappers, all dainty patterns, handsomely trimmed with Hamburg and dainty ruffles of the goods. A dainty house dress at \$1.29. Lot No. 3 is our great leader. Eight different styles in about twenty-five different colorings. Couldn't be better for yourself for the money. All have extra vests of the same in material, have bound seams, perfect fitting, come in both light and dark styles, 98c. Many stores would charge you \$1.50 for no better. Lot No. 4—Mostly all dark styles, made from percale and indigo blue prints and foalard cloth. Not one worth less than \$1. For this great sale 79c.

Separate Skirts.
48 Black Figured Skirts, cut 3Y yards wide, cambric lined, bound with velvet. As long as they last 98c. 72 Black Figured Brilliantine Skirts, cambric lined, velvet bound, all handsome patterns. As long as they last \$1.48. 24 Black Figured Brilliantine Skirts, rustle lined velvet faced, bound seams, \$1.98. 24 black silk finished plain Brilliantine Skirts, fancy black lining, satin waist band, couldn't be better made, \$3.68. Our tailor made Skirts, in all wool Serges, trimmed with three and five rows of Hercules brand. Our silk finished figured Brilliantine Skirts are worth \$5 in any store. For this sale \$3.98.

An Umbrella Bargain.
125 twilled carola silk umbrellas made with steel rods, Congo handles, Sterling silver trimmed, worth \$1.50 for this sale 98c. 75 pure silk Taffeta Umbrellas, steel rods, with silk case and tassels, Congo handles, worth \$2 for this sale \$1.48. The above are all black, 26 inches, good for rain or sun. Any lady who needs a fine umbrella can save just 50c by buying it at this sale.

Ladies' Ribbed Vests.
1,540 Ladies' Summer Ribbed Vests in this lot, 60 doz. ladies' white 15c ribbed vests, short sleeves, full sizes, as long as they last 10c. 60 doz. ladies' white 10c sleeveless vests, good sizes; as long as they last 5c. 25 doz. ladies' ribbed, extra size vest, sizes 7, 8, 9, sleeveless; as long as they last 15c, two for 25c.

Black and Fancy Underskirts.
Our underskirts are all made by a corset factory, corded with the corset bone, guaranteed to last as long as the skirt does or we refund the money. Black satin skirts cut extra full, trimmed with fine ruffles, guaranteed fast black 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$1.79. Fancy Perca Silk skirts, looks like silk and wears much better, \$1.98, \$2.25, \$2.68. Black Morcen Skirts, \$1.98, \$2.98. Crash Underskirts for summer 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48.

Domestics.
Best Indigo Blue Prints 4c a yard; 8c all linen brown crash 6c yard; cotton crash 3 1/2 and 4c yard; 5-4 bleached pillow cases 7c; 5-4 best pillow cases 12c; 6-4 best bleached pillow cases 14c; best bleached sheets, made 40, 44, 48c; good bleached muslin 4 1/2c yard; best bleached muslin made 6 1/2c yard.

Dotted Swiss.
10 pieces fine dotted stripe and figured curtain Swiss, 36 inches wide, as long as it lasts, 12 1/2c yard. An odd lot of dotted Swiss, slightly soiled, sold from 25 to 40c yard, to close out quick 15c yard.

A Handkerchief Bargain.
1,200 white, real hem-stitched handkerchiefs, every lady ought to buy a dozen at the price as long as they last 8c each.

Black Dress Goods.
40 inch all wool black Serge, sold by all for 39c, for this sale 29c; 38 inch Black Brilliantine, the regular price 40c, for this sale 35c; 38 inch all wool, figured, black goods, regular price 50c, for this sale 40c; 43 inch Black Brilliantine, sold everywhere for 75c, for this sale 50c; 46 inch all wool Cravenette Black Serge, sold by all for 69c, for this sale 59c; 46 inch silk finish Black Brilliantine, sold all over the world for \$1, for this sale 75c. 50 inch all wool silk finish black Serge, real value \$1.25, for this sale 89c.

Colored Dress Goods.
700 yards all wool fancy mixed dress goods manufactured to suit at 50c. We have just closed out the lot from the mill agents for spot cash so we can sell them for just half, 25c yard. The best bargains ever offered by any store. 12 pieces Covert Cloth in all the latest colorings, tans, light greys, apple greens, new blues, 38, 40 and 46 inches wide, 50 and 75c yard.

A Silk Bargain.
600 yards black figured silk, 20 and 24 inches wide, all new goods, comes in small and large figures, made to sell for \$1. The manufacturer's loss is your gain. Just the thing for skirts or corset waists as long as it lasts 69c.

Bicycle Dress Goods.
250 yards cotton covert, extra fine and heavy, sold in every store for 15c; comes in tans, greys and light olives, as long as this lot lasts 10c yard. All linen crash and linen suiting purchased by us in December at one-third less than we can buy the same goods to-day. Fine for crash skirts as long as it lasts 10, 12 1/2, 15c yard.

Dress Linings.
Best Kid Cambric 3c yard; 15c fast black and all colors in Perline 10c yard; best French real hair cloth all colors 25c yard; Sillesia all shades and fast black 10c yard.

Lace Curtains.
Lot No. 1, Nottingham curtains, 3 yards long, 49c a pair; lot No. 2 Nottingham curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$1.68; lot No. 3 Brussels net curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, extra wide, all dainty new patterns, at \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98. Match them for double the price if you can.

Curtain Poles.
Ash, Cherry and Walnut Curtain Poles with brass trimmings complete, five feet long, 19c; white enamel poles with white and brass trimmings to match for this sale only 25c; best white enamel, five foot poles, with fixtures complete, 40c; 1 gross brass curtain rods, extend from 24 to 44 inches, for this sale 10c.

Corsets.
We keep all the standard makes of corsets at the right prices. Just now we mention four specials. 300 summer corsets made from fine strong netting, double tapes, making them extra strong; never been sold for less than 39c, as long as they last 29c. An extra long waisted summer corset made extra strong, perfect fitting, front steel have cloth protector to keep hooks from rubbing the waists; for this lot 49c. Davis's special corset made from extra quality, saton high bust, perfect fitting, worth 75c, our price 59c. P. U. Corset—This is our regular six hook corset, made from the very best stock, warranted perfect fitting, come in white, drab and black, 75c.

White Bed Spreads.
200 White Bed Spreads bought from the manufacturer at spot cash prices. If you need any this season buy now. 11-4 extra heavy 69c spread, all bedroom, ready for use, 49c; 11-4 and 1-4 extra heavy, all bedroom, ready for use, best value ever shown at 69, 98c; 1-4 real Marcellus Spread, sold all over the world for \$1.75, for this sale only \$1.29.

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